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4/2 [824] substance and the tip decorated with tufts, now of wool (Fig. 4, No. 2). For plucking out hairs, a hair dart made of the leaf rib of the sago palm usually serves (2). Hibiscus blossoms (3) are very

Fig. 4. Head Ornaments.

1. Comb (R.-J.-M. 6680, Danneil Coll., donated by Jul. Rautenstrauch); 16.7 cm. long. 2. Comb (longo; Berlin VI 16185, Thilenius Coll.), Graciosa Bay; 15 1/2 cm. long. 3. Tuft made of strips of leaf cutis on coconut string (R.-J.-M. 17855, Joest Coll.; about 15 cm. in diameter. 4. Feather tuft made of ten small tufts fastened to feather quills with coconut string (R.-J.-M. 4041, Joest Coll.); about 12 cm. in diameter.

2. Joest, Tagebuch, p. 50.

3. Joest, Tagebuch, p. 53. Dillon, p. 315.

Hibiscus blossoms (3) are very

301 [824] popular as hair ornaments, and the Joest Collection contains blossom-shaped tufts of plant fibers and feathers which serve the same purpose (Fig. 4, Nos. 3 and 4). As a war ornament, ● 7/4 [Fig. 4 appears here] Edge-Partington illustrates a cylindrical 000 headdress, probably made of palm leaf (4). Beards are not

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4. Edge-Partington and Heape, Ethnographical Album of the Pacific Islands, I, 154.

302 Beards are not generally worn; Joest saw only a few people with goatees. Labillardière expressly mentions the custom of removing the hair and otherwise only Carteret mentions a man with a small beard (cf. also Figs. 1 and 3) (5).

5. Carteret, p. 359. Labillardière, p. 256. Joest in Baessler, p. 377, and Tagebuch, p. 89.

304 301 The first ornament that the citizen of the world wears on Ndeni is the nose ring of tortoise shell (Fig. 5, Nos. 5 and 6).[2] Very soon after birth the septum is pierced with the above-mentioned hair dart, and the "padlock," as Joest not inappropriately calls it, is snapped on (6). Rarely a nose peg of Tridacna

6. Joest in Baessler, p. 376. Mentioned by Labillardière, p. 255. Coote, pp. 158 and 165. Dewar, Voyage of the Nyanza, p. 246. Markham, p. 164. Festetics de Tolna, pp. 278 f. Illustration, ibid., pp. 279, 283, and in Edge-Partington, I, 162, No. 5. I am not quite sure whether Fig. 5, No. 6 comes from Santa Cruz or from one of the northern Melanesian border islands.

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replaces it, and only chiefs wear a peculiar openwork plate of mother-of-pearl (7). [77] The nostrils are also pierced, but

7. Edge-Partington, I, 166, Nos. 8 and 9. Coote, p. 159.

[2] [cf. category 116, p. 13 - -Analyst.]